

Application of: Reed et al.
Serial No.: 10/632,097
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Reply to Office Action of 07/13/2007

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application, in view of the present amendment and following remarks, is respectfully requested.

Related patent application serial number 10/632,098 is currently pending. The Patent Office issued an office action on April 9, 2007. A response to that office action was filed on October 9, 2007.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claim 12 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the invention. Claim 12 has been amended to obviate the objection.

As requested in the Office Action, formal drawings are submitted concurrently with the present response.

In the current Office Action, claims 1, 21, 6, 24, 26, 2, 3, 31, 5, 16, 10, 36, 42, 11, 30, and 34 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Vafaei (USP 7,035,257). Claims 12, 35, 4, 8, 9, 15, 19, 25, 28, 32, 7, 18, 20, 27, 37, 38, 40, 41, 43, 44, 46, 47, 13, 14, 17, 22, 33, 29, 39, and 45 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vafaei further in view of Larson (USP 7,228,345). Claim 48 was also rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vafaei. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

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Applicants have submitted herewith two affidavits under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 swearing behind the two references, Vafaei and Larson, relied upon by the Office Action. Vafaei has an effective date of November 14, 2002. Larson has an effective date of October 15, 2002. The attached declarations establish that the present inventors conceived and actually reduced to practice the inventions claimed in the present application no later than January 16, 2002. The conception and reduction to practice of the claimed subject matter occurred in the United States. As a result, Applicants have sworn behind the Vafaei and Larson references. Thus, applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections based on Vafaei and Larson.

The Examiner's attention to this application is greatly appreciated. In view of the present amendment and remarks above, the outstanding grounds for rejection are believed to have been overcome and withdrawal of the rejections under § 112 and 103 are respectfully requested. An early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

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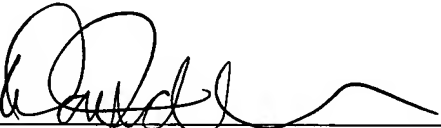
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